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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**[PUBLIC NOTICE 8579]**

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition

Determinations: **“Khirbet el-Maqatir: History of a Biblical Site”**

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, et seq.; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, et seq.), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, and Delegation of Authority No. 236-3 of August 28, 2000, I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition, **“Khirbet el-Maqatir: History of a Biblical Site,”** imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the **Dunham Bible Museum, Houston Baptist University, Houston, Texas**, from on or about **January 21, 2014**, until on or about **December 19, 2014**, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these Determinations be published in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Paul W. Manning, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202-632-6469). The mailing

address is U.S. Department of State, SA-5, L/PD, Fifth Floor (Suite 5H03), Washington,  
D.C. 20522-0505.

Dated: December 20, 2013.

Evan Ryan,  
Assistant Secretary,  
Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs,  
Department of State.

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